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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

April 29, 2003

Youth sports programs have traditionally been valuable recreational activities for young residents of Los Angeles County. Not only do they offer an opportunity for kids of all ages to learn new physical, social, and mental skills, but youth sports also serves as a deterrent to crime. However, as schools have reduced funding for extracurricular activities such as sports programs, the need for affordable youth sports alternatives has increased. At the same time, we would like to encourage parents' participation with their kids. Golf is one of those activities you can enjoy regardless of your age or skill level.

Last year, for the third time, we hosted Junior Golfer's Appreciation Month in July. It was reported that over 3000 kids took advantage of the reduced rates last summer, it also increased play at these courses because they had to play with a full paying adult. The result was a win-win situation for golfers and the Department of Parks and Recreation. The efforts and programs tailored to juniors will take time to prepare and be released to the public. By introducing it in April, we hope that it will again increase the number of youth that take advantage of this outstanding program.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT:

1. We instruct the Director of Parks and Recreation to declare the month of July, 2003 as “Junior Golfers Appreciation Month” and:
2. Instruct the Director to create a program for the month of July, 2003 at all County Golf Courses that will establish and promote the following:

Junior Golfers (18 and under) can play for \$1 with every full paying adult or senior after the twilight hour rates begin.

3. Direct each golf course to hold a “Free Special Skills Day” with free lessons, golf skills challenge contests, and other programs such as golf course etiquette that will help improve and promote junior golf.

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